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MEMORANDUM FOR: CIA Director of Reconnaissance

SUBJECT : Responsibilities of CIA Director of
Reconnaissance

1. I look to you in your position as CIA Director of Reconnaissance to keep in the closest touch with the Director and Deputy Director of the National Reconnaissance Office and to serve as the Agency's focal point in liaison arrangements with the NRO. This will include the primary responsibility for preparing Agency responses to NRO memoranda, letters, and other such requests for action or information. You will keep the Office of the DCI informed and it will be your responsibility to seek my concurrence as and when required.

2. The DCI will look to you to insure development of Agency positions and recommendations for DCI consideration and use before the NRO Executive Committee.

3. In carrying out this responsibility, you will keep abreast of the work done by COMOR and the CIA Directorate of Intelligence in the field of intelligence requirements and targeting for reconnaissance. I regard it as of prime importance that the DCI be in position at all times to comment on and take actions to correct any inadequacies of the National Reconnaissance Plan, particularly in the meeting of national intelligence requirements.

4. You are also responsible for advising me on the budgetary and funding aspects of the National Reconnaissance Plan. As a member of the NRO Executive Committee, the DCI will be taking an active part in the Executive Committee's consideration of the budgeting for and funding of all elements of the Plan.

5. In accomplishing these tasks and to keep me fully informed, you will maintain the closest consultation with all elements of the Agency engaged in any aspect of overhead reconnaissance. All such Agency elements are to be responsive to your needs for information and advice. Specifically, I want you to maintain close and continuing contact with the DD/S&T and the Office of Special Activities and the Office of Special Projects; with the Deputy to the DCI for National

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Intelligence Programs Evaluation; with the Executive Director and, through him, the Office of Planning, Programming, and Budgeting; with COMOR; with the Deputy Director for Intelligence and the Collection Guidance Staff; and with those elements of the Clandestine Services engaged in projects related to the NRP.

6. Nothing in this directive to you is to be construed as investing you with operational control of components of the Agency involved in the National Reconnaissance Plan.

W. F. Raborn
Director

cc: DDCI
Executive Director
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